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COOPER DONT HANG

TELEGRAM AT 8:30 P. M. SO
STATED.

Arcadia's Necktie Party is due
between the hours of 10 a. m. and
2 p. m. on Friday, February 23.
It has been indefinitely postponed.

The Tampa Tribune of Thurs-
day has an eloquent and well-
deserved tribute to Susan B.
Anthony among its editorials.
Miss Anthony is past 80, and was
recently stricken with paralysis.

This is Washington's Birthday
and a legal holiday but THE
CHAMPION can't put off publi-
cation day on that account. So
we are still pegging away in the
endeavor to give you a good news-
paper, strictly on time, in spite of
holidays or disasters.

Osceola county went dry in the
recent election. We told you so.
When those W. C. T. U. women
make up their minds there's more
of them than the essential "two or
three gathered together in My
name," to whom the promise was
given, and they got what they
asked for.

The following private letter
from the governor explains his at-
titude in the case of Cooper, who
is to hang tomorrow:

"In regard to Mr. I. E. Cooper,
will say that I have spent several
hundred dollars of the Contingent
Fund allowed me by the legis-
lature, in an effort to inform my-
self and other members of the
State Board of Pardons, as fully as
it is possible to do. Although I
believed that there was a serious
doubt about the guilt of Mr.
Cooper, the information gathered
by the detectives tends very great-
ly to dissipate all of the doubt
that possessed the State Board of
Pardons. Every clue, when run
down, involves Mr. Cooper, so
there appears to be no doubt but
that Mr. Cooper was the one most
responsible for the murder of Mr.
Bowman. I will say, in closing,
that I have done everything in my
power to satisfy myself as to who
was the real guilty party, and I
have therefore issued the new
death warrant, of which you have
heard. The State Board of
Pardons has been very much con-
cerned about this matter, and it
has received careful consideration."

Eight thirty p. m. Thursday.
The governor has just wired Sheriff
Freeman to postpone the hanging
until further orders.

Railroad Over the Sea.

Next to the building of the
Panama canal, one of the most re-
markable and important trans-
portation enterprises under way is
the extension of the Florida East
Coast railroad from Miami, Fla.,
to the tip of the gulf at Key
West. A glance at the map shows
a long string of islands leading on
the southern point of Florida.
Along these "keys" (or islands)
Henry M. Flagler is now con-
structing a railway which will
bring New York and Key West
into direct communication. From

Key West a car ferry will transport
a train of thirty cars to Havana,
and the gulf and straits will be
made a veritable harbor of com-
merce.

Mr. Flagler turned in his office
chair and handed me the memo-
randa of the work, and I saw that
the distance from Miami to Key
West is 154 miles, the railroad al-
ready extending 28 miles of this
distance to Homestead. Sixty
miles of this road is on solid rock
embankments through the water
of the ocean, separating the main-
land from Key West. Of the
entire distance only 65 miles of
road will be on the islands; the
rest of the distance the rails will
be laid 31 feet above salt water.
Four concrete viaducts aggregate
nearly 6 miles, with 50-foot spans
resting upon concrete piers set in
the solid rock and strengthened by
piles. There are seven water
openings, each 25 feet, and three
drawbridges which aggregate 410
feet.

Largo is the largest of the keys,
and is 40 miles in length, but the
railroad only traverses 15 miles of
its area. Next comes Plantation
Key, and so on down a long list of
keys to Stock Island and Key
West. In addition to the keys
which the road actually passes
over there are a number of others
in sight.

The water between the islands is
shallow, being from 10 to 30 feet
deep, with a bottom of limestone.
The best engineering talent of the
country has been employed to
overcome all obstacles. J. C.
Meredith is the engineer in charge
of the work at Miami. A large
fleet of tugs and barges is employed
constantly. At Key West ex-
tensive docks and terminals will be
built.—National Magazine.

Gone Camp Hunting.

Zeb and Hooker Parker, Gus
Hendry, — Bryan, Doctor Cline
and other well known business
men of Arcadia left today for a
camp hunt of several days.

L. V. Bryan, R. B. and Wallace
Campbell and Ulrich Langford are
out to the lakes on a camp hunt.

Messrs Forrester and King, with
their wives who are sisters, went
on a camp hunt last week.

Uncle Abe Sauls Dead.

Uncle Abe Sauls, one of the old
time pioneers of DeSoto county
died suddenly of heart failure last
week, at his home near Bowling
Green, where he had lived many
years. He was the father of J. L.
and N. M. Sauls, well known in
Arcadia, and leaves other children
and a widow to mourn his loss.

"Shadow of Sin."

The play "Shadow of Sin" an-
nounced for Saturday night has
been postponed to next week.

Fortnightly Literary Society.

Fortnightly Literary Society
meets Friday night at the residence
of C. C. Chollar. Topic,
Whittier.

Sparks Circus.

Sparks' big circus gave two per-
formances here last Thursday to
big crowds that were well pleased
with the entertainment offered.

Mrs. C. H. Smith will have an open-
ing of Ready to wear hats on Thursday
of next week. Easter is a long way off
and we will all have to invest in a spring
hat.

FOUND: On February 10th a ladies'
cape. Owner can find same at Webb's
Bakery, Arcadia.

Don't forget and get the names mixed.
I am representing Ludden-Campbell-Co.,
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Several thousand old newspapers for
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bicycle man or ring up phone 40.

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Perry C. Brown.

Arcadia, Florida.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Its a boy at W. A. Cleveland's.

H. McL. Martin went to Tampa this
week.

W. E. Robertson has gone to St.
Louis for horses and mules.

Mrs. Morris, wife of the concrete
company manager, has arrived.

Mrs. J. E. Riley and children came up
from Liverpool last Thursday to see the
show.

We have just opened a complete line
of Men's, Ladies' and Children's Ox-
fords. Arcadia Mercantile Co.

A. J. Dozier, with the Arcadia Mercan-
tile Co., has returned from the sad duty
of attending the funeral of his father.

Mrs. Moody is visiting her parents,
Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Campbell. She is
accompanied by her husband and
children.

Mrs. C. H. Smith has received her
spring walking hats, ready to wear hats,
etc. that will be opened for exhibition
next week.

R. H. Connell's family left last week
for Plant City to join Mr. Connell who
is connected with the steam laundry of
that thriving city.

Try a pair of those Crössett shoes for
Gentlemen. They make Life's Walk
Easy. New spring line just opened at
Arcadia Mercantile Co.

Miss Lilian Vane, from Baltimore,
Md., will arrive in a few days to take
charge of the millinery department for
the Arcadia Mercantile Co.

Miss Lessie Johnson, one of our bright
DeSoto county girls, came home Thurs-
day of last week for a few days visit
with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M.
Johnson. Miss Lessie returned in three
days to her work as stenographer for the
Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. of
Jacksonville.

The south bound train today (Thurs-
day) took down to Punta Gorda a merry
lot of Arcadians, members of the Owl
Club who were entertained in the after-
noon by General Gilchrist and invited to
a ball at the Punta Gorda Hotel at night.
The day being memorable in American
history, February 22, they thus cele-
brated it.

Misses Elizabeth and Mary Steele
Ewing and the editor of THE CHAMPION
returned Monday from an enjoyable five
days trip to Lee county. While away
they visited the Koreshan colony
located at Estero, sixteen miles south of
Ft. Myers. They saw much to interest
and instruct as the Koreshans have the
most complete printing outfit in the
state also their own sawmill, cement
works and other industries necessary to
the colony.

While at the Koreshan colony last
week the editor once more met Mrs.
Vera Hohanshelt, who will be re-
membered by Arcadians of nine years
ago, as Mr. and Mrs. Hohanshelt oper-
ated the first bakery ever in Arcadia at
about that time. Mrs. Hohanshelt is
now manager of the Koreshan Bakery.
Her husband, Henry Hohanshelt, was
accidentally killed a few months ago by a
splinter entering his brain while at
work at the Koreshan sawmill. He was
a general favorite and his death will be
regretted by all who knew him.

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Have Received a
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HARDWARE

And now are do-
ing Business

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Has a Savings Department, pay-
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A Healing Gospel.

The Rev. J. C. Warren, pastor of
Sharon Baptist Church, Belair, Ga., says
of Electric Bitters: "It's a Godsend to
mankind. It cured me of lame back,
stiff joints, and complete physical col-
lapse. I was so weak it took me half an
hour to walk a mile. Two bottles of
Electric Bitters have made me so strong
I have just walked three miles in 50 min-
utes and feel like walking three more.
It's made a new man of me." Greatest
remedy for weakness and all Stomach,
Liver and Kidney complaints. Sold
under guarantee at Rd Greene's Drug
Store. Price 50c.

Hamp. Strickland left Saturday for
Starke where he will act as agent for the
C. H. Peacock Co., of Philadelphia, in
the strawberry section.

C. P. BAIRD, M. D., D. D.
Arcadia, Florida.

The Dental Office and Laboratory of Dr.
Baird can be found in the Cottage in the
Mrs. Youmans. Having been one of the
by fire will say to his old friends that he
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